## **RESOLUTION NO. 07-22**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF DELRAY BEACH, FLORIDA, DESIGNATING THE CITY AS A "VISION ZERO CITY" AND ESTABLISHING A VISION ZERO COORDINATING COMMITTEE; DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER TO CREATE A VISION ZERO ACTION PLAN TO ESTABLISH A GOAL OF NO SEVERE TRAFFIC INJURIES OR FATALITIES BY 2035; DIRECTING AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO TAKE ALL NECESSARY ACTIONS TO EFFECTUATE SAME; PROVIDING A CONFLICTS CLAUSE; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, traffic collisions are among the leading cause of death and injury within the United States, the State of Florida, and the City of Delray Beach; and

WHEREAS, from 2018 to 2021, the City of Delray Beach had a total of 10,219 collisions, with 524 of these accidents resulting in severe injury and 17 resulting in a death; and

WHEREAS, the State of Florida is the most dangerous state for people walking, consistently ranking number 1 on the Pedestrian Danger Index by Smart Growth America, with the Metropolitan Planning Area for Delray Beach being ranked in the top 20 in 2016, 2019, and 2021; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission of the City of Delray Beach recognizes that these crash statistics are not acceptable for residents, commuters, visitors, or others who live, work, or play in the City of Delray Beach; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission recognizes that a roadway system with frequent crashes causes travel delays and drains fiscal resources of the City, creating a threat to the success of the residential population and employment base, quality of life, and the reputation of the City to be a desirable destination for future generations; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission desires to take all measures to reduce these statistics by adopting Vision Zero, which is a safe systems approach and strategy to prevent traffic-related fatalities and severe injuries, while providing safe, healthy, equitable mobility for all.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF DELRAY BEACH, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

- <u>Section 1</u>. The foregoing recitals are hereby confirmed and ratified.
- Section 2. The City Commission of the City of Delray Beach hereby established a goal of zero traffic fatalities and severe injuries within the City of Delray Beach by 2035.

- <u>Section 3</u>. The City Commission hereby establishes a Vision Zero Coordinating Committee ("the Committee"), which shall be comprised of 5 members comprising of representatives from the Delray Beach Police Department, the Development Services Department, the Public Works Department, and any other representatives deemed appropriate by the City Manager.
- <u>Section 4</u>. The City Commission hereby authorizes the City Manager, or designee, to oversee the Committee and to adopt administrative policies and procedures to govern the Committee, as may be amended from time to time, to address vehicular crashes resulting in fatalities and severe injuries through a combination of engineering, evaluation, and community engagement and education
- <u>Section 5</u>. If any section, clause, or sentence of this Resolution shall be held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a Court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the validity of any other section, clause, or phrase of this Resolution.

<u>Section 6</u>. This Resolution hereby repeals all resolutions in conflict herewith.

Section 7. This Resolution shall be effective immediately upon adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED in regular session on the day of February, 2022

ATTEST:

Katerri Johnson, City Clerk

Shelly Petrolia, Mayor

Approved as to form and legal sufficiency:

Lynn Gelin, City Attorney